

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register: 21 November 1995
Name of applicant/court: Comptroller of Customs
Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable
Title of Publication: Sweet Gwen's Bondage Catalog Vol. #2
Other Known Titles: Not Stated
Director: Not Applicable
Producer: Not Applicable
Publisher: Spartacus Publishers Inc.
Author: Not Applicable
Format: Magazine
Country of Origin: USA
Language: English

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable

Feature: Running time:
Trailers: Running time:
Total Running time:
Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reasons(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The magazine is advertising material for the fetishistic sexual practice of Bondage and Discipline. There is no qualification of the activity involved as being consensual, rather, the images of women bound and gagged, wearing expressions of distress, fear or pain give the impression that coercion is involved and violence is threatened.

Given this context, the magazine is considered to tend to promote the use of violence or coercion to compel persons to participate in, or submit to, sexual conduct. Therefore the magazine is classified objectionable.

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